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| For: IMAGE FORMING METHOD, IMAGE | ; | |
| FORMING APPARATUS, INTERMEDIATE | : | |
| TRANSFER BODY, AND METHOD OF |) | |
| MODIFYING SURFACE OF | : | |
| INTERMEDIATE TRANSFER BODY |) | November 21, 2008 |

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 21, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance in view of the following remarks.